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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Please cancel claim(s) 29-41 without prejudice.

Listing of Claims:

1-41 (Cancelled)

42. (Currently amended) An apparatus, comprising:

a memory configured to store a plurality of codes, each code being associated with an operation;

a docking port configured to receive a device, the device comprising a radio frequency tag;

a radio frequency tag reader configured, in response to the docking port receiving the device, to read a code from the radio frequency tag;

a radio interface ~~for transmitting and receiving~~
configured to transmit and receive data in a network; and

a controller configured to determine whether the read code corresponds with a stored code, and when the read code corresponds with a stored code, to perform an operation associated with the corresponding stored code and when the read code does not correspond with a stored code, to control the radio interface to transmit, in dependence upon the read code, a message.

43. (Canceled)

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44. (Currently amended) An apparatus as claimed in claim 42, wherein the radio interface is configured to receive instructions from a first destination for performing an operation at the apparatus ~~from a first destination~~.

45. (Currently amended) An apparatus as claimed in claim 42, wherein the radio interface is configured to receive instructions from a second destination, for performing an operation at the apparatus ~~from a second, different destination~~.

46. (Previously presented) An apparatus as claimed in claim 42, wherein the apparatus further comprises a switch configured, when the docking port receives the device, to signal to the radio frequency tag reader to perform a read operation.

47. (Previously presented) An apparatus as claimed in claim 42, wherein the radio frequency tag reader is configured to read a code from the radio frequency tag only in response to the docking port receiving the device.

48. (Currently amended) An apparatus as claimed in claim 42, wherein the performance of the operation ~~relates to sending~~ causes the apparatus to send an email.

49. (Previously presented) An apparatus as claimed in claim 48, wherein controller is configured to request approval from a user to send the email, before it is sent.

50. (Previously presented) An apparatus as claimed in claim 48, wherein the controller is configured to provide a user with an opportunity to amend the email, before it is sent.

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51. (Currently amended) An apparatus as claimed in claim 42, wherein the performance of the operation ~~relates to opening~~ causes that apparatus to open a browser at a predetermined IP address.

52. (Canceled)

53. (Previously presented) An apparatus as claimed in claim 42, wherein the docking port is arranged to enable a plurality of devices to be docked in the docking port simultaneously.

54. (Previously presented) An apparatus as claimed in claim 53, wherein the controller is configured to perform an operation in response to a plurality of devices being docked in the docking port simultaneously.

55. (Currently amended) A method, comprising:

docking a device comprising a radio frequency tag;

reading, in response to the docking of the device, a code from the radio frequency tag; and

determining whether the read code corresponds with a stored code; and

performing, when the read code corresponds with a stored code, an operation associated with the corresponding stored code and when the read code does not correspond with a stored code, transmitting a message dependent upon the read code.

56. (Currently amended) An apparatus as claimed in claim 42, further comprising:

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a display; and

a memory configured to store first information;

~~a radio frequency tag reader configured to read second information from a radio frequency tag of a device; and~~

wherein the a controller is configured, in response to the reading of the ~~second information~~ code from the radio frequency tag when the first information is displayed on the display, to activate a secrecy mode by concealing the first information, such that the first information is inaccessible by an unauthorized user.

57. (Canceled)

58. (Canceled)

59. (Previously presented) An apparatus as claimed in claim 56, wherein the controller is configured, if the radio tag of the device is read when the apparatus is in the secrecy mode, to control the display to provide a user with an option to reveal the first information, such that the first information is accessible by an unauthorized user.

60. (Canceled)

61. (Currently amended) A method as claimed in claim 55, further comprising:

displaying second information; and

~~reading first information from the radio frequency tag;~~
and

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activating, in response to reading the ~~first information~~ code from the radio frequency tag, a secrecy mode by concealing the displayed second information, such that the second information is inaccessible by an unauthorized user.

62. (Currently amended) A ~~computer~~ program storage device readable ~~medium encoded with computer executable by a machine,~~ tangibly embodying a program of instructions executable by the machine for performing operations ~~to control a radio interface,~~ the operations comprising:

~~controlling the radio interface to transmit a first message to a selected first destination in response to a first code being read from a radio frequency tag reader; and~~

reading, in response to a device being docked, a code from a radio frequency tag of the device;

determining whether the read code corresponds with a stored code; and

performing, when the read code corresponds with a stored code, an operation associated with the corresponding stored code and when the read code does not correspond with a stored code, transmitting a message dependent upon the read code

~~controlling the radio interface to transmit a second message to a selected second destination in response to a second code being read from the radio frequency tag reader.~~

63. (Currently amended) A ~~computer readable medium~~ program storage device as claimed in claim 62, wherein the ~~controlling of the radio interface to transmit a first message and a~~

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~~second message further comprises requiring user input before sending the first message to the selected first destination and sending the second message to the selected second destination~~ message includes the read code.

64. (New) An apparatus as claimed in claim 42, wherein the memory is configured to store a macro and the performance of the operation associated with the corresponding stored code is the performance of the macro.

65. (New) An apparatus as claimed in claim 42, wherein the message includes the read code.

66. (New) An apparatus as claimed in claim 42, wherein the message is sent to a remote server.

67. (New) An apparatus as claimed in claim 66, wherein at least a part of the read code is used to select the remote server.

68. (New) An apparatus as claimed in claim 42, wherein the apparatus is a portable communication apparatus.

69. (New) A method as claimed in claim 55, wherein the performance of the operation associated with the corresponding stored code is the performance of a stored macro.

70. (New) A method as claimed in claim 55, wherein the message includes the read code.

71. (New) A method as claimed in claim 55, wherein the message is sent to a remote server.

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72. (New) A method as claimed in claim 71, wherein at least a part of the read code is used to select a remote server.

73. (New) A method as claimed in claim 55, comprising receiving instructions from a first destination for performing an operation at the apparatus.

74. (New) A method as claimed in claim 55, comprising receiving instructions from a second destination for performing an operation at the apparatus.

75. (New) A method as claimed in claim 55, wherein the docking of the device activates a switch configured to signal the radio frequency tag reader to perform a read operation when the docking port receives the device.

76. (New) A method as claimed in claim 55, wherein the code is read from the radio frequency tag only in response to the docking of the device.

77. (New) A method as claimed in claim 55, wherein the performance of the operation causes the sending of an email.

78. (New) A method as claimed in claim 75, wherein approval from a user is requested to send the email, before it is sent.

79. (New) A method as claimed in claim 76, wherein a user is provided with an opportunity to amend the email, before it is sent.

80. (New) A method as claimed in claim 55, wherein the performance of the operation causes a browser to open at a predetermined IP address.

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81. (New) A system comprising:

an apparatus comprising: a memory configured to store a plurality of codes, each code being associated with an operation; a docking port configured to receive a device; a radio frequency tag reader configured, in response to the docking port receiving the device, to read a code from the radio frequency tag; a radio interface configured to transmit and receive data in a network; and a controller configured to determine whether the read code corresponds with a stored code, and when the read code corresponds with a stored code, to perform an operation associated with the corresponding stored code and when the read code does not correspond with a stored code, to control the radio interface to transmit, in dependence upon the read code, a message; and

a device comprising: a casing configured to be received by the docking port of the apparatus; a memory configured to store the code; and a radio frequency tag configured, in response to the reception of the casing by the docking port, to transmit the stored code to the apparatus.